

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

**Please replace the previous Abstract with the following redlined Abstract:**

A method for controlling a motorized data-storage device, including extracting energy from a spindle motor to drive a positioning motor of the data-storage device and other components, such as circuitry. In normal operation of one embodiment, a disk is rotated at a constant velocity by a spindle motor and a read/write head is moved over the disk surface by a voice-coil motor. In the event of a power failure, energy is extracted from the spindle motor to drive the voice-coil motor so the head can be safely moved away from the disk.